WALLS OF EQUITABLE YIELD ANOTHER BODY

Wreckers Find William Campion After Cutting Through Ice Bank 15 Feet Thick.

KNELT AS IF ASKING AID

All Is Ready for Demolishing Interior Walls That Seem Dangerous - 90,000 Policies Held for Loans Removed.

The grim, ice-bound walls of the finite reluctance yesterday the body of another fire victim-William Campion, ceptain of the watchmen for the Mercantile Safe Deposit Company. A large force of Canavan wreckers, under the direction of Supervising Inspector John O'Connor of the Bureau of Buildings, worked from 7 o'clock in the morning until after 4 o'clock in the afternoon to

When they had cut through a bank of solid ice fifteen feet thick, which extended from the face of the building to have just sixteen buttons. the northbound car track in Broadway. they were met by a heartrending sight, Campion's burned hands were extended through the steel barred grill of an outer gate just below the curb near Cedar street, and he knelt, as if imploring the which held him prisoner in the trap that bars, to which they, as well as the hands, were frozen.

A steel beam, descending with the crash of the floors above, must have brought death instantly when it came, for this beam had crushed in the skull. A sheathing of ice covered the body, mercifully hiding the distorted features, and cemented it to tons of wreckage behind, consisting of hollow tile, bricks, steel beams and all manner of building debris. The man's joints, of course, were frozen rigid.

When the wreckers had carved their way through the ice to the grill they still had to cut the two-inch bars of steel before Campion could be released, since it was impossible to reach the body from behind. It was this same gate

of acetylene smelters, but when this had life about ten years ago. been accomplished the gas had given out, and the other two bars were attacked with hack saws. Finally these, too, yielded. Then came the labor of separating the body from the bars and the wreckage.

A huge crowd of holiday sightseers Baltimore, Jan. 14.-With the thermome- report says. To gratify as little as possible the morbid curiosity of the sightseers the police was extinguished in a short time and the placed a section of matched board fence damage was small. across the path to the gate to screen Campion's body from view. Then about 2:30 o'clock the congestion having become dangerous, they cleared Broadway aroused the sleeping guests. entirely between Liberty and Wall streets. A large number of men, women their bare feet, men and women ran into the high iron fence along the Broadway sidewalk, peering through the palings and stamping on the graves.

At 4:17 o'clock the body was placed out serious injury. aboard a patrol wagon and, in the cusin-law of the watchman identified it, and at 4:45 o'clock it was delivered to Miles McKean, an undertaker, of No. 479 74th street, Brooklyn, who will remove it later Brooklyn. Campion, who was sixty years old, leaves a wife and four children.

into the rooms of the Mercantile Safe N. Y. EXPRESS JUMPS TRACK Now that an entrance has been effected Deposit Company it is hoped before long to find also the body of Francis Joseph Cars of Montreal Train Topple Nieder, the other missing watchman, supposed to have perished in the collapse that cut off Campion. Nieder was another one of those who went into the an ice covered pyramid immediately be-

hind the spot where Campion knelt. Back in the centre of the ruin all is interior walls and partitions which appear dangerous. This morning the every one is out of danger, start steam engines pulling the walls down on top of the interior debris. The men of the Bureau of Buildings who have the demelition of the building in charge conafter that they have removed enough of the stmin from the floors inside to Pishe this operation entirely safe.

Pump Water All Night. The wreckers quit the job at 5 o'clock last night, leaving behind a small force of men engaged in pumping out the Water collected in the basement of the burned building and threatening its foundations as well as the foundations of buildings in the immediate neighborhood. Inspector Judge, of the Buwater stood twelve feet deep under the ground by way of a cherry tree early this street and the other in Cedar street, operated eight centrifugal pumps throughout the night, pumping this wa-

ter directly into the newers. The Bureau of Buildings is surrounding the ruin with a high fence of mat hed boards to keep pedestrians from Canturing near enough to the walls to family were safe.

Channel on second page.

Her Word of Honor By Edith Macvane

A French heroine and an American hero are the chief characters of a charming new serial which will begin in next Sunday's Magazine of the

New-York Tribune

PICTURES ON SLIPPER TOES

Likeness on Footwear Is Style's Day Coaches Leave Track and Command to Women.

By Telegraph to The Tribune. Boston, Jan. 14.-If a woman would be in style at the opera as to footwear she must wear slippers with pictures on the Equitable skeleton yielded up with in- toes-her own picture, that of her nearest and dearest ir a likeness of anybody she pleases, but some sort of picture of the Pennsylvania Railroad crashed must be there-according to the latest ukase of more than two hundred style nue grade crossing in Torresdale, a submakers in the shoe trade now in session There are 260 varieties of sliphere. pers in nineteen colors from which to

Next summer women's shoe finery pierce the tomb and accomplish their must be all white Oxford pumps. Should MALLOY, Bridget, aged forty-two years. woman's ankles not permit her to wear these in such a way as to please the other sex, her white high boots must

> Gaiters and shoes are to be combined hereafter, the new creation being called "overgaiter." It will look like the ordinary suede boot with a suede gaiter, but in reality it will be all one piece. A new flexible shoe with a backbone

crowded up so close to the steel grating real thing for children in the near fut- lar man was on leave of absence, and riage of the great singer to a man not a ure, according to a Lynn manufacturer. his knees, too, were jammed between the It is called the "wiggier" and is designed to assume the shape of the foot

WOMEN YOUNG AT 40 Lecturer Says Home Life Mo-

notony Brings Old Age Look. Miss Villa Faulkner Page, who is takwood Worcester, addressed a large number of women in the hall of the Pro-

It is a nightmare to every woman to grow old just as she is throbbing with life and energy and plans. At forty we are young. Gossiping, fretting and the steady monotony of too much home life bring the look of old age. Get away from all these. Get something to do outside of the home. Join a club. Go to baseball games. Do something to do outside of the home of the home of thing—anything.

ACTORS MAKE COLD EXIT Feet from Burning Hotel.

took advantage of the lack of police ter below zero, about forty guests at the lines to bank the west sidewalk of Hotel Theodore, a resort for theatrical peo-Broadway all the way from Liberty ple, in East Baltimore street, were awak-Broadway all the way from Liberty street to Wall, so that old Trinity locked down on such a sea of heads as it is down on such a sea of heads as it is leave the building in scanty attire. Quick and the baggage car was thrown sidewont to see only on New Year's Eve. work on the part of police and firemen wide across the track. prevented possible loss of life. The fire

As one of the walters was leaving for front windows. He hurried into the hotel Beatrice Story, of Bound Brook, N. J. and informed the clerk, who at once shoulder, arm and head cut.

Clad in their night garments, some in and children were squeezed through into the bitter cold of the ice-covered street Trinity church yard, where they hugged Those who waited to don their clothes the firemen arrived they found the windows full of shouting guests. Ladders were quickly run up, and all were rescued with-

A one-armed actor, Lewis De Long, in tody of Patrolman Nelson M. Hart, taken groping about a smoke-filled room struck to the Old Slip station. There a brother- his head against a mirror and was badly cut by the broken glass. He was dragged to a window by his wife, and they were carried to the street by firemen.

Among the others rescued were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Leo to Campion's home, at No. 94 2d street, Hall, Harry Woods, Isaac Shearman, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mills and Alma Vogel, all

Over Against Embankment.

Rutland Railway express from New York to Montreal were shaken up about 4 o'clock was burning. It is supposed he lies the rear of the train jumped the track, owburied deep in the wreckage rising into ing to a broken rail, and bumped along the ties for a distance of several hundred received from young Boyce. yards, finally toppling over against an embankment. The embankment probably saved the situation, as the cut through is persecuted and goaded in his family beady now for the "pulling" of those which the train was passing when the cars affairs few blame him if he goes to extoppled over was fairly steep. Several passengers were thrown from their berths, but wreckers will attach steel cables to no one was badly injured, the worst casthere walls, extend them through the ualty reported being a broken finger. The

curred. transferred to the first class cars ahead, suffering considerable inconvenience while preparing for the transit, as the temperature was 25 degrees below zero. The cars cooled off very quickly, the heating apparatus having been broken.

East Orange Family Get Safely Facts Reported by Mr. Heimke Not Ad-Away from \$15,000 Blaze.

East Orange, N. J., Jan. 14 (Special). Trapped by a fire which cut off their escape by the stairs, the household of Edward A. McCoy, of No. 112 Washington street, this city, had barely time to flee by windows and over a porch to the it is added that the relations between Sal-Two engines, one in Pine morning. McCoy himself, who is a manufacturer of brass light fixtures, was scratched and burned, and a maid, Mary Frank, broke her leg in escaping. Mrs. McCoy and her two young daughters were

The fire did damage of about \$15,000. It was caused by an overheated flue. No alarm was sent in until McCoy and his

FIVE WOMEN AND MAN

Crossing, Party Drives in Front of an Express.

Plunge Into Ditch-Was Running Forty Miles an Hour When Rails Spread.

Philadelphia, Jan. 14.-Six persons, five women and a man, were killed when an express train on the New York division into a station wagon at the Linden aveurb of this city, to-day.

The dead are: DAVIDSON, Charles, aged fifty years. GALLAGHER, Rose, aged eighteen years. GARRITY, Agnes, aged twenty-two years. O'CONNOR, Nellie, aged nineteen years. RODDY, Mary, aged twenty years,

The dead women were all employed as ervants in fashionable homes in Torresdale, and were on the way to church when the accident occurred. Davidson was the driver for a local liveryman and had been making the trip every Sunday for the last two years.

The Linden avenue crossing is usually that will wiggle like an eel will be the guarded by a watchman, but the reguhis substitute had not appeared when professional and a dozen years younger the coach reached the crossing. Davidson waited for a freight train to pass much feeling and expression as she ever and then drove directly in front of the put in any of the songs that have made approaching express.

The horses managed to clear the track, but the engine struck the wagon squarely on the side. Davidson and Agnes Garrity, who were scated on the front but the four others were thrown directly ing up in New York the psycho-therapy under the vacels of the train, and when treatment begun in Boston's Back Bay their bodies were recovered they were and refined, but it is best that he should Episcopal Church by the Rev. Dr. El- so badly mutilated that it was necessary to identify them by their clothing.

Agnes Garrity was still alive when fessional Woman's League yesterday on she was picked up, but died while being the subject of "How Old Are You?" She conveyed to Torresdale station. Davidson was dead when his body was found fifty feet from the tracks.

ing of the fire. Campion had been crushed before Giblin was extricated.

Takes Hours to Recover Body.

Four bars were severed, the four directly framing the ice-incased figure of the unfortunate watchman. It took hours to do it, as it had aken h ars to cut a path to the gate. The first two bars were meited in half with the aid of acetylene smelters but a directly from the control of the control of the day coaches left the took and the control of the day coaches left the for work at fifty. This is wrong many men retire at fifty. This is wrong many men retire at fifty. This is wrong the cut a path to the gate. The first two bars were meited in half with the aid of acetylene smelters but within all.

Miss Description to do outside of the home. Join a wreek which occurred early this afternoon four miles south of Carey. Ohlo. Two of the day coaches left the track on account of spreading rails. These two cars went into a ditch along the twenty from fifty to seventy than during the wenty from fifty to seventy than during the twenty from fifty to seventy than during the wenty from fifty to seventy than during the twenty from fifty to seventy than during the wenty from fifty to seventy the account of spreading rails. These two cars went into a ditch along the form of the track.

Physicians from Carey were hurried to the scene of the wreck, and many of the injured were taken to a hospital in Kenton. Several of those within all.

Miss Description to have been married to work at fifty than at forty. Nowadays for work at fifty than at forty. Ohlo. Two of the day coaches left the track on account of spreading rails. These two cars went into a di

was running about an hour late when it and I never have regretted it, and I d left this city for Cincinnati. It was due not regret it now. Flee in "Nighties" and Bare at Carey at 11:45 o'clock. It did not was running about forty miles an hour,

> The engine and baggage car passed over safely, but the last two cars were

It is understood that none of the passengers was hurt fatally.

Among the injured are: G. A. Davis, of Brooklyn, wrist badly cut, and S.

SNEAD FEARS VIOLENCE Murderer of Captain Boyce Pre fers to Remain in Jail.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 14.-When an effort was made to-day by attorneys for J. B. Snead, the millionaire Amarillo banker, who last night shot and killed Captain A. G. Boyce, sr., millionaire cattle man, to obtain bail for him Snead protested, declaring he preferred to remain at present in the Tarrant County jail. The intense feeling aroused by the murder of the aged rancher had reached Snead's ears, and he believes he is safer behind bars. Will and Charles Boyce, of Amarillo, sons of the slain man, arrived here late this afternoon. Henry Boyce, of Pecos, Tex., is expected to arrive tomorrow. The guard at the jail has been doubled to be ready for any emergency. Telegrams have been sent to Canadian Montreal, Jan. 14.—Passengers on the and United States cities in an effort to get in touch with A. G. Boyce, jr., who eloped with Snead's wife last November and who was arrested with her recently

public to-day, saying: "When a man tremes. I have suffered a thousand children, and long has been famous for her hells. I wish there had been no cause which led me to commit this act. I window holes to the street, and, when train, a double-header, was proceeding at train, a double-header, was proceeding at train, a double-header when the accident on the thing is done now helped. I would willingly have given The travellers in the Pullmans were my own life to have avoided the entire affair. Captain Boyce and I had been friends for years until this came up. Of course, I lost control of my-That is all."

CHERRY TREE FIRE ESCAPE U. S. MINISTER CONTRADICTED

mitted in Guatemala. Guatemala City, Jan. 14.-It is announced nere that the reports of a threatened invasion of Salvador by Guatemala are absolutely without foundation and, further, that no troops are being mobilized here. vador and Guatemala are most cordial and

Recent Washington dispatches said that William Heimke, the American Minister to Salbador, had reported to the State Department that President Cabrera of Gua temala had increased the force on the Salvadorean border by four thousand men and that the Salvadorean government had in-The house is one of formed him of the preparations going on eclved twenty-eight applications from such the handsome dwellings of Washington in Guatemala so that he might notify the State Department of Cabrera's activities, these was twenty-two years old,

SCHUMANN-HEINK TO SUE KILLED GOING TO CHURCH FOR DIVORCE FROM RAPP

Watchmen Absent from Grade Diva Says Proceedings Will Be Instituted Soon Against Her Young Husband.

50 HURT IN BIG FOUR WRECK BEEN SEPARATED SOME TIME

Says She Has Endured Life with Husband 12 Years Her Junior as Long as She Possibly Could.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] St. Louis, Jan. 14.-When Mrs. William Rapp, known to the music loving public of two continents as Mme. Schumann-Heink, files her suit for divorce as she will soon, she will have demonstrated in real life the theme of the only comic opera in which she ever appeared in America, "Love's Lottery."

Mme. Schumann-Heink and her husband, William Rapp, jr., twelve years her junior, separated some time ago, but neither until to-night acknowledged there was an estrangement.

The great contraits in her apartments at the Planter's Hotel, after appearing in two concerts on Saturday, where it was noticed she was in better voice than on any former appearance in St. Louis, admitted the separation, and said the divorce petition would be filed soon, but where she could not say. The marthan she was not a happy one. With as her famous she spoke of the mesalliance, and said she had endured it as long as she could, and while she dreaded having the name of Schumann-Heink in the divorce courts, there was no other alternative.

Rapp," said the diva. "He is cultured York, where he has an office; and I-I am on the road, singing.

"There were no ugly quarrels nor any scandal. Please say that, for both of us. and cast a straight Republican ticket. It was just for the best that I have acted as I have.

Toledo, Jan. 14.-Fifty passengers on aration. He could not understand, and during the summer. He had a wide per-

inspiration in life. It was they who gave is to make his first appearance on the the men, as the girl was so excited and by the government under authority from

"When I was in my native land and reach there until about 1 o'clock, and so poor and the first of my eight children came, I wanted to do all I could Sir Herbert's powers of dramatic char-expected, and although some young men military or other purposes the governfor it, and when the others came I felt acterization. uthat I ought to do more work for them. It was that they might profit by it that I decided above lal things to become a might give to them things that had been denied them.

"And I worked so hard and I denied myself so many things to achieve my ambition. It was to work for them and to build them a home that I came to Wages May Be Raised as Price your America, that in the thirteen years I have been here I have come to love so well. But what made me come was to win money and a home for them.

"I had succeeded before I became the wife of Mr. Rapp, and my estate in New Jersey is a beautiful place, and I am happy when I am surrounded by my children. Then I have another home in California, and I am happy there; and, no matter where I am, I want my children to know that their mother will always take them to her arms,"

Paterson, N. J., Jan. 14.-Inquiry at Mme. Schumann-Heink's summer residence at Fairfield could not throw any light upon the reported divorce proceedings which it has been said she has instituted against her husband, William Rapp, jr. No one at the place knew anything of the matter. During the winter Mme. Schumann-Heink usually spends her time at the Waldorf-Astoria,

Mme. Schumann-Heink was born in Bo hemia on June 15, 1861, and was the daughter of Hans Roessler, a native of Vienna. In 1882 she was married to Ernst Heink, of Dresden, and suffered a decade of almost unendurable married life. By Heinl she had four children. She gained a divorce in 1893 and was married by Paul Schumann, an actor, of Hamburg. He dled in 1904. In 1905 Mme. Schumann Heink became an American citizen, and in May of that year was wedded by Mr. Rapp By the second marriage she also had four devotion to the large family.

BLAMES FIREBUG THIEF Grocer Says Place Was Looted Before \$60,000 Blaze.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] New Haven, Jan. 14.-Seven fires occurred here to-day and charges that some of them were incendiary are made. The extensive grocery house of the D. M. Welch Company was destroyed. Flames were discovered near the office, and Mr. Welch asserts that there are evidences that the place had been rifled and fire started to cover the tracks of a thief. The loss is placed at \$60,000. From the other fires the loss was small. All were checked before they had proceeded far.

The greenhouse of Frederick F. Brewster. of the New Haven Railroad, wa found to be afire, and although the Brewster estate is in Hamden, the New Haven Fire Department rushed to the spot and stiffed the blaze.

NEWLYWEDS SUFFER FROM COLD

Chicago, Jan. 14.—One of the odd featires in the applications for aid during the SKATING ON NEW YORK BAY. ten days of zero weather here is the number of newly married couples who have appealed to the charity of the county for sustenance. In one day there were recouples for aid. The oldest applicant of



Who says she will begin divorce proceedings against her husband, William Rapp, jr.

OLDEST STATE VOTER DEAD HIGHWAYMEN BEAT Ira Webb, Consistent Republican, Dies at 106

(By Telegraph to The Tribune,] Binghamton, N. Y., Jan. 14.-Ira Webb died yesterday at McDonough, aged 106 years. Mr. Webb was the oldest voter of New York State. On his go his way and I go mine. He is in New 101st birthday he occupied the platform when Governor Hughes spoke here.

> Until the last election Mr. Webb always walked from his home to the polls Except for the last few months he retained his physical ability to a wonderful degree, working in his garden each day sonal acquaintance with many prominent men through the southern tier.

TREE IN 'THE MAN WHO WAS' Sir Herbert to Make His First Bow on the Variety Stage. [By Cable to The Tribune.]

London, Jan. 15.-Close on the heels of formance of plays at music halls comes \$85. "It is my children that have been my the announcement that Sir Herbert Tree sents in one act form the dramatic story one years old. of the same name by Rudyard Kipling,

syndicate.

for Not Recognizing Unions.

London, Jan. 14.-All indications totlement. It is understood that the em- waymen proceeded to strip her of her ployers will consent to consider the jewelry, furs and cash. question of an advance in wages in con- The girl's screams were heard by

the expiration of three months. the suggested minimum wage. It is they have not been able to get much of persons are connected with the telegraph probable, therefore, that the introduc- a clew to the trio. tion of a minimum wage would really without great difficulty.

JAILS HARVEST WILD OATS

Churches and Men the Prisons.

afternoon meeting in the Labor Temple, at econd avenue and 14th street, yesterday. were there, he said, and in the last year more than fifteen thousand, but the proportion of women remained the same always. "Two things are responsible," said the

chaplain, "for the presence of practically all of the inmates of the Tombs to-daybad company and strong drink. Take that nuisance after they had sent two memfrom a man who knows what he is talking bers of the gang to jail. about. Who sows wild oats often reaps his harvest in jail."

WANT TAFT RENOMINATED. Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 14.-President

Taft was indorsed for renomination, Governor Hadley for Vice-President and Charles D. Morris, of St. Joseph, for Governor of Missouri, in resolutions adopted by the Republican Congressional Committee of the 3d District here last night.

Newark Bay is frozen over between Newark and Elizabeth, and navigation has been suspended. New York Bay is also frozen fully a mile from the Jersey shore, and yesterday afternoon hundreds of young Red Wing Thursday last. Passengers on of the local department, the effici people skated on both bays.

Stenographer Robbed and Left Senseless in Street.

Young Woman Set Upon in a Lonely Section of Union Course, Queens. Miss Helen Buchan, twenty-one years

home, at No. 121 2d street, Union ing, after attending an entertainment young men and so badly beaten that she She was also robbed of all the jewelry and the money that was in her pocketthe new regulations permitting the per- book. She estimates her loss at about

The Man Who Was." This play pre- except that each one was about twenty- should be resumed. A method for the

the more interesting from the fact that She boarded a Jamaica local, and at praised value.

tered the three young men. night point to peace in the labor world. his hand over her mouth as she lay on are offered by companies now conduct-Both sides in the cotton dispute in the the ground to prevent her from making ing the telegraph business. Lancashire district are anxious for a set- further outcries. Then the three high-

junction with the withdrawal of the op- Frederick Banner and his wife, who had eratives' demand for recognition of only got off the same train as Miss Buchan, union labor. If an agreement is reached Banner started in the direction of Miss it is probable that the wages of the Buchan, and as he neared her the three weavers will be advanced 5 per cent at men jumped up and started away, leaving the unconscious girl lying in the Further investigation of the difficulty snow. She was picked up and carried which has arisen in the coal mining into a house near by and her father was regions and which has resulted in the notified. He arrived in a few minutes taking of a ballot among the men to de- and took the girl home and then notified fermine the question of a strike, shows the police, but by this time the three that more than 80 per cent of the men men had made good their escape. Deare already receiving the equivalent of tectives were sent out on the case, but dicate that about one hundred thousand

affect little more than 10 per cent of the was suffering so much from shock that to be acquired would be purely conjectactual workers. It is believed, there- her physician advised her to remain in ural, but it is said it would approximate fore, that a settlement can be reached bed for a few days. Both her eyes are \$250,000,000. nearly closed and her whole body is sore

from the beating she received. According to the citizens of Union isting telegraph rates could be reduced Course assaults of this kind have been at least one-third to the public and yet Chaplain Sanderson Says Women Fill frequent within the last few months, make the investment in and operation of During the holiday week three young the lines profitable to the government. men, who the police believe may be "Women fill the churches; men fill the the same as those who held up Miss MAGISTRATE GILROY DEAD jails, and from an experience of more than Buchan, entered William S. Strauss's twenty-two years I believe the two facts wholesale liquor store on Jamaica aveare related," said the Rev. George Ander-nue, two blocks from the latest holdup, son, chaplain of the City Prison, at the They asked for a bottle of whiskey, and while Strauss was stooping over to get Mr. Sanderson's experience covers service it one of the trio struck him a blow on in the old federal prison at Albany, the the back of the head with a blackjack. state prison at Sing Sing and the Tombs. stunning him. But before they had a He said there were more than six hundred chance to get at the cash register a cusprisoners in the Tombs and that only sixty tomer entered the front door and the were women. One day last summer 736 three men fled through the side door, caused his death. A week ago he was re and that was the last seen of them.

A gang of young toughs some time ago were called in to consult with his family made life miserable for women and girls physician, Dr. M. M. Slocum. in the vicinity of Union Course, and the police were finally able to break up this

ALMOST FROZEN TO ENGINE

Fugitive Rides 75 Miles on Locomotive's Pilot at 38 Below.

Chicago, Jan, 14.-With the thermometer registering 38 degrees below zero, Carl Faulkenberg, a seventeen-year-old fugitive from the Minnesota State Industrial School at Red Wing, Minn., rode seventyfive miles on the pilot of a locomotive and was nearly frozen to death. He was found

in a Chicago hospital to-day.
Faulkenberg's hands, feet and face were frozen, and he is in a serious condition the train took up a collection for him,

GOVERNMENT OWNED TELEGRAPHS URGED

Lines Under His Department to Lower Rates and Improve Facilities.

Postmaster General Would Have

PLAN SUCCESSFUL ABROAD

Appraised Value of Systems \$250,000,000, and 100,000 Persons Are Employed-Authority for Acquisition Exists in Statutes.

Washington, Jan. 14.-Acquisition of the telegraph lines of the United States by the government and their operation as a part of the postal service will be recommended to Congress in a short time by Postmaster General Hitchcock, t was learned to-day.

For a year or more Mr. Hitchcock has had this recommendation under consideration. After a thorough study of the operation of government controlled lines and postal telegraph systems of foreign countries he has decided to urge th matter on Congress.

"Should this recommendation be adopted," said Mr. Hitchcock to-night in a statement of his intention, "I am conconomies and in very materially lower telegraph rates than now are exacted. In approximately fifty countries of the world-notably in Great Britain, France, Germany, Austria, Italy, Spain, Russia, and Japan-government controlled telegraphs now are in successful and profitable operation. In many of the countries they are operated in connection with the postal service. These tele-THREE ASSAILANTS ESCAPE graphs serve an aggregate population of 950,000,000, and in every instance they have been found to be of immense pradtical benefit to the people, in both promptitude and cost of the service.

Means Wide Extension of System.

"In this country postoffices are maintained in numerous places not reached old, a stenographer, returning to her by the telegraph systems, and the proposed consolidation, therefore, would af-Course, Queens, early yesterday morn- ford a favorable opportunity for the wide extension of telegraphic facilities. In in Brooklyn, was set upon by three many small towns where the telegraph companies have offices the telegraph and is in bed under the care of a physician. mail business could be handled readily by the same employes. It is evident that she wore, her muff and fur neckpiece the separate maintenance of the two services under present conditions results in a needless expense.

"The first telegraph in the United The police have little hope of getting States was operated from 1844 to 1847 me the ambition to achieve what I have variety stage on Monday next, when he the holdup occurred in such a dark spot Congress, and from many points of view achieved. I have given my life for them, will appear at the Palace Theatre in that she did not notice their features, it is desirable that government control acquisition of telegraph lines is pre-The entertainment which Miss Buchan scribed in Section 5,267 of the Revised and gives full scope for the exhibition of attended kept her longer than she had Statutes, which provides that for postal, offered to take her home she declined ment may purchase telegraph lines oper-His decision to appear at the Palace is their courtesy and started home alone, ated in the United States at an ap-

he recently refused an offer of £1,000 a Union Course station alighted. She "My own view is that every reason for great singer, a great artiste, that I week for a series of performances in the started along Shaw avenue in the cold the transmission of mail under governmusic halls belonging to a well known and snowy night. She was making her ment control can be urged with equal way against the wind and cold with her force for the transmission of communimuff to her face, when about two blocks cations by telegraph. Because of the BRITISH LABOR WAR WANES from the railroad station she encoun- more extensive organization maintained by the postal service and the freedom Without any warning they pounced from taxation and other charges to which upon her, one of them seizing her by the private corporations are subject the neck, the other striking her in the face government undoubtedly could afford when she screamed and the third putting greater facilities, at lower rates, than

Puts Parcels Post First.

"Next to the introduction of a general parcels post, for which there is a strong popular demand, the establishment of a government telegraph system offers, in my judgment, the best opportunity for the profitable extension of the nation's postal service."

It is not Mr. Hitchcock's purpose to

recommend the acquisition of telephone lines, except, possibly, in instances where they are operated as telegraph lines and are an integral part of definite telegraph systems. The latest census figures available in-

companies of the United States. The Miss Buchan was so badly injured and appraised value of the systems proposed The authorities who have figured on the proposition are of opinion that ex

Succumbs to Pneumonia Comtracted at Father's Funeral. Magistrate Eugene C. Gilroy, of Far

Rockaway, son of the late ex-Mayor Gilroy, died last night at St. Joseph's Hospital, Far Rockaway, from pneumonia. He caught a heavy cold while attending the funeral of his father, who died on December 1, and it developed into the illness which moved to the hospital, and two specialists

The magistrate was thirty-five years old. He was born at his father's home in the Harlem section of Manhattan, but went to Far Rockaway when his father made his permanent home there. During the second year of McClellan's term Mr. Gilroy was appointed magistrate.

He leaves a wife and three children, besides two brothers and four sisters. It is probable that the funeral will be he morrow, although arrangements had not been completed last night.

NEW HAVEN FIRE CHIEF STRICKEN [By Telegraph to The Tribune:]

New Haven, Jan. 14.-Rufus Fancher, chief of the Fire Department, was stricken with apendicitis to-day and was rushed to the General Hospital, where an operation was promptly performed. He is one of the best known fire fighters of New England from exposure. The youth escaped from and has been for fifteen years at the head which is largely due to his ability,